

Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #22-033**

**RESOLUTION REJECTING BIDS FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT TRUNK WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENTS, IMPROVEMENT PROJECT #21-08**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #19-248 adopted October 8, 2019, five (5) proposals were accepted and a professional services contract was awarded to SEH, Inc. for the purpose of analyzing the City’s municipal water supply system source water, developing a water system model, and preparing a preliminary design report for a centralized water treatment plant to ensure that the City’s municipal water supply system will continue to provide adequate quantities of safe drinking water into the foreseeable future; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #21-061 adopted March 9, 2021, a professional services contract was awarded to SEH, Inc. for all design and construction services needed to allow the trunk watermain improvements needed to support the centralized water treatment plant to be designed, bid, and constructed before the water treatment plant is constructed; and

**WHEREAS**, funds required to pay for the trunk watermain improvements have been collected from municipal water supply users and are available to fund the proposed improvements, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Ramsey City Council Resolution #21-303 adopted October 26, 2022, the final plans and specifications prepared by SEH, Inc. were approved and advertisements for bids were authorized for said improvements, and

**WHEREAS**, bids were advertised on QuestCDN, an online bidding platform, and in the Anoka Union Herald and in Finance and Commerce on October 29 and November 5, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, bids were received, opened, and tabulated on January 4, 2022, and the following bids were found to comply with the advertisement for bids; and

<b>CONTRACTOR</b>	<b>TOTAL SCHEDULE 1 BID</b>	<b>TOTAL SCHEDULE 2 BID</b>
Park Construction Co.	\$6,737,287.45	\$7,059,102.16
Forest Lake Contracting, Inc.	\$7,652,529.55	\$8,391,994.66
<i>Engineer’s Estimate</i>	<i>\$4,875,068.50</i>	<i>\$4,916,194.50</i>

**WHEREAS**, all bids received for the total schedule 1 bid and the total schedule 2 bid were in accordance with the approved plans and specifications and advertisement for bids but exceeded the engineer’s estimate by 38-percent or more, which is more than the City can reasonably fund at this time so all bids are hereby rejected.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, as follows:**

- 1) The Ramsey City Council hereby rejects all bids for the making of such improvements.
- 2) The Ramsey City Council hereby authorizes Staff to work with SEH, Inc. to revise the approved plans to reduce project costs and to monitor the bidding environment to identify the most favorable time to bid the project again.
- 3) The City Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to immediately return forthwith to all bidders the deposits made with their bids.

The motion of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 25th day of January, 2022.

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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk